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Sir:

In re application of: Cyrille Ponet et al.

For: TOWED IMPLEMENT FOR OPERATION ON- AND OFF-ROAD

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.56 and guided by 37 CFR 1.97 - 1.99, applicants respectfully submit the following information including any required copies of the documents listed on the attached form.

Remarks

The listed German patent and utility patent were cited in a German Patent Office search report dated 20 October 2003 wherein the searcher considered them to be of the "technical background" category.

The Krone brochure is described in the "Background of the Invention."

Respectfully,

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